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## The Turn of the Die

By Starbuck Baxter

As Jefferson Jones entered his boarding house, his landlady, who had evidently been waiting for him, stepped forward and tapped him on the arm.

Jones turned, a hastily formulated excuse for his lousy state at his tongue's end. Then he paused and stopped to stare, surprised. In the claw-like hand extended toward him were two bills—ten-dollar bills—and the vinegar face of his erstwhile nemesis was snarled in a maidenly simper.

"Take them, Mr. Jones." The voice of the virago was as soft as melting tar on a hot July. "Take them, dear Mr. Jones. And please pardon me for daring to make such an unconventional offer, but—O, I am interested in you, dear Mr. Jones, and know you are temporarily of course embarrassed."

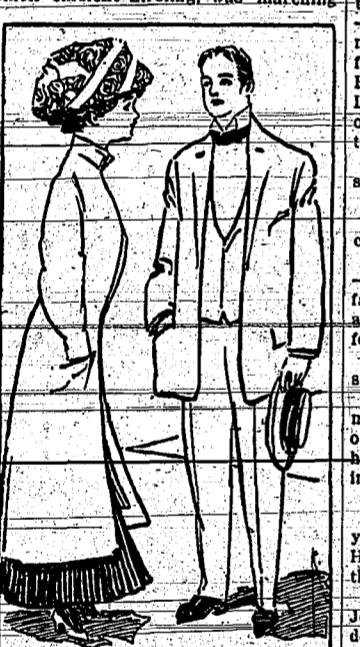
Jones gasped. After a slight pause his landlady withdrew her fleshless digits from the clammy grasp of the youth and vanished into her own parlor.

Jones had reason to gasp. He, unfortunate dry goods clerk, out of a job, was owing this woman three weeks' board, and no later than this morning he had been told that day must either see its liquidation, or his quaint, minus trunk, from the smelly institution.

Faring forth with a heavy heart and scant prospects, he found nothing to buy the familiar organ and his return to Miss Gruffey's food emporium was a trip fraught with a disagreeable premonition of what was to come.

Jefferson Jones had not always been a delinquent. There had been a time not so many weeks back when he had stripped his board money from a substantial roll-at each week end, and none had been prompter than he.

But now, alas, the good old days were gone. The prosperous firm of McSwift & O'Leary had gone the way of greater concerns, unable to compete with the huge department stores. McSwift was now a floor walker at the Colosus. O'Leary sold neck scarfs at the Paragonia. Jefferson Jones, once their efficient hirling, was marching



YOU ARE PROPERLY DRESSED

in the great army of the down-and-out, and waiting for a chance at Opportunity's back hair.

Jones noted the sudden thawing of Miss Gruffey with kindred feelings of relief and suspicion. He even failed, in his perturbed moment, to thank the lady for her loan or ask the reason of this sudden burst of confidence.

It was a changed Jefferson who peered at his reflection in the wry mirror of his hall-room. With a touch of his old pride the youth seized brush and comb and carefully worked his thick hair into part. The black of this contrasted strangely with his blue eyes and red-touched cheeks. Jefferson was a good looking man. It was no wonder that, with his easy carriage and broad shoulders, Janet Nifon loved him. A photograph of her stood on the dingy dresser, and Jefferson turned to gaze admiringly at this before descending.

The picture was done by one of the best artists in the city. One knew at analysis taking this into consideration with the party gown, the proud look of her, the daintily arranged hair of the maid, would say that Jefferson Jones was ambitious—that he coveted her station.

Janet Nifon and the Jones youth were friends of long standing. Their acquaintance traced back to early days in Rousville where Janet in pigtail and prim, neatly starched dresses came out of the far-city, ostensibly to visit her aunt, but in reality to play with the freckled lad next door.

It was then that Jefferson Jones had placed Janet Nifon on a pedestal. She was there still. There would never be any other girl who could thrill Jefferson with a single word as could this maid.

But Jones was not forward. He realized the difference in their stations in life, and when he came on to the city, he was content to worship from afar.

It was different with Janet. A stroll along Fifth Avenue Sunday resulted in an inadvertent meeting, and, since then, young Jones had spent several evenings at the home of the girl.

After the marvel of the landlady's loan, Jefferson Jones found his chamber too small for his soaring spirit and he again left the house. The fresh air stimulated him. The sphinx had no greater riddle than this:

"Mr. Jones."

A gloved hand touched the arm of the youth. He turned to face Janet Nifon.

"I had almost to run," began the girl indignantly, "trying to catch up with you. Are you training for a Marathon?"

Jones laughed. He shortened his stride to the length of her own.

"I wanted to congratulate you," continued the girl, without waiting a reply. "We are all so pleased—father especially. He is much interested in you."

Janet stared. It occurred to him that the whole world was going mad.

"You congratulate me!" he repeated.

"Certainly," answered the girl. "You know that I am interested in you."

She flushed prettily. "I am glad that your future is so assured."

Jones thought of his jobless state, and the loan that he had so recently accepted from his landlady. He saw anything but an assured future ahead of him. He groaned.

"It is nice of you to be interested in me," he said, "but really, I don't understand."

Janet smiled up at him with a light in her eyes that brought the old inexplicable thrill.

"You are modest," she said, softly. "We know all about it; we can't help but know all about it, of course. You are certainly entitled to your rare good fortune. We are glad—Father and mother, and I—that it could have been you."

"But—" interposed Jones, politely, arriving to get head and tail to the mystery. "I don't—"

"O, here comes father now," interrupted the girl, gayly.

A tall, lean man, stern-faced, and with iron-gray hair, came up to them and promptly seized the hand of young Jones in a strong, firm clasp.

"Lucky fellow," he said. "I am glad that it was you—and, by Jove, you didn't know—that's the funny part of it."

Jones felt like saying that, as a matter of fact, he didn't know yet, but Nifon had been keeping up a running line of conversation.

I have been watching you for some time," continued Janet's father, "and I guess it is too late to speak of that now—I had intended to do something for you shortly—but here comes Forbes. I must speak with him. Don't forget to call—soon!" With another cordial shake of the hand, Nifon turned away.

For awhile Jones and the girl strolled on in silence.

"Janet?"

The youth had at last come to a decision.

"Janet, would you mind telling me—explaining—what you and your father mean—what you were talking about when you spoke of my good fortune?"

The girl stopped to stare at him in surprise.

"Why, what do you mean?" she demanded. "Surely, with the papers full of it, you must realize that we couldn't help but know about your wonderful inheritance."

It was Jones' turn to stare.

"Can it be," continued the girl, "that you, of all people, haven't heard? Haven't you read the papers? Haven't the lawyers come to you?"

"One question at a time," laughed Jones. "But—no to all of them. I don't know a thing about it."

The girl mused for a moment.

"Do you remember that once back in Rousville you rescued an old man from drowning in Small Creek?"

"Yes," answered the youth. "An old pauper, who was walking to New York, I believe; he was very grateful, as I remember."

"That 'old pauper,' as you call him, continued the girl, 'owned an invention that was financed after he reached the city, and his royalties amount to over a million dollars. He died yesterday. He had no relatives, and he left all his great fortune to the child who has had a little training in this kind of drawing will often beat the finished draftsman who is new to it."

Both were silent for a moment.

"Are you glad?" whispered the girl.

"I am," answered the youth. "It will give me courage to ask even a greater gift of fortune—some time. The girl flushed.

Collection May Be Scattered.

The Italian government has refused—for financial reasons—it is said—to purchase the Paganini collection, which is now the property of the granddaughter of the great violinist.

"Unless some appreciative person comes to the rescue—buys and keeps it intact," says a letter from Florence.

The valuable articles will be sold in this city at public auction. There are medals, decorations, and valuable pieces of jewelry which were given to Niccolò Paganini by admirers; his bow, many instruments and a large collection of musical manuscripts.

Does it not show a lack of patriotism on the part of his country to allow these treasures to be scattered?"

New York Tribune.

Water Power in New York.—The annual report of the state water supply commission estimates that no less than a million and a half horsepower can be developed on the interior streams of New York and that this stored up energy is equal to nearly a third of all the water power now utilized in the United States. The important bearings of such a situation on the future industrial development of the state cannot be overestimated.—From Churchill's "A Modern Chronicle."

**REALLY NO PROBLEM AT ALL**

Council Learned of Methods of Former Employee, and Probably Did Some Thinking.

The contract for keeping the church and town hall clocks in order was given to a new man. Unfortunately, from the start he experienced a difficulty in getting the clocks to strike at the same time. At last the district council requested an interview with the watchmaker.

"You are not so successful with the clocks as your predecessor," he was told. "It is very misleading to have one clock striking three or four minutes after the other. Before you took them in hand we could hardly tell the two were striking. Surely you are as competent?"

"Every workman has his own methods, gentlemen," replied the watchmaker, "and mine ain't the same as H—'s were."

"I'm decidedly of opinion that it would be for the general good if they were," remarked one of the councilors.

"Very well, sir; in future they shall be," said the watchmaker. "I happened to write to him last week about the trouble I had with the clocks, and—well, perhaps," he added, as he produced a letter and handed it to the chairman, "you'd like to see what he said."

"Dear sir," (ran the letter), "About them clocks. When you get to know what a cantankerous lot of busybodies the council consists of, you'd do the same as I did for 15 years—forget to wind up the striker of the town hall clock, and the silly owl won't be able to tell that both clocks aren't striking together."

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"Skeeing One of the Most Delightful and Invigorating of Cold Weather Amusements.

The skeeing clubs form one of the most picturesque sights to be seen in the Alps in winter. With their bright-colored blanket suits, tasseled caps or tam-o'-shanters, and huge white mitts, they go through the snow-covered woodlands across the white mountain slopes usually in single file, perhaps 50 sliding along after the leader in true Norwegian fashion. Indeed, it is a variety of the old game of "follow your leader," for what he does, the others are expected to do. So if he comes to a ledge and jumps off, all are supposed to leap. But jumping with the skees is not so easy as it looks, and the end is often buried in the snow bank, for unless one is very sure of his footing, the long, narrow, wooden slats will twist or turn without warning and—over you go. With the skee one can go over hard snow at a very rapid rate, but when he strikes a patch of the newly-fallen snow it is a case of slow to be sure, for any minute the bottom may sink away with him. But it is healthful as well as invigorating, and the women have found that they need not look awkward even in this form of outdoor dress, with a ribbon here and a tassel there, and some even adorning their skees.—St. Nicholas.

Drawing from the Senses.

Sense picturing is the latest development in the training of the young idea, how to draw, and it is certainly a great aid to accurate visualization.

Taste-picturing is perhaps the most deceptive, and it is astonishing how many people (it may be practised by grown-ups as well as youngsters) will mistake a plane for a saw. Touch-picturing is especially difficult, and here the child who has had a little training in this kind of drawing will often beat the finished draftsman who is new to it.

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#### THE BOSTON BOY'S FOURTH.

"On the Fourth," little Emerson Copley remarked.  
"I trust you will all bear in mind  
The request that I make. It is small, I am sure:  
A trifle, in fact, you will find.  
I merely would ask that you purchase no  
pounds.  
No caps or producers of noise.  
With any intention of lowering me  
To the level of commonplace boys."

"On the Fourth of July," he continued,  
"to me  
There is nothing so properly tame  
As crackers and torpedoes and kindred affairs.  
When fired in Liberty's name,

The popping they make is incompetent  
quilt.  
To keep pace with my patriot's zeal,  
And I frankly confess that they never  
give vent.

To the joy that I inwardly feel,

"So allow me," said he, "on the Fourth  
of July  
To persons, unimpaired in my den,  
That document famous which years ago  
came.

From the studios Jefferson's pen  
Do this and pr'vate I will gladly appear.  
The fireworks costly to see,  
For the rockets red glare and the bombs

"Will remind me of Francis Scott Key."  
—New York Sun.

**AN AMUSING FOURTH INCIDENT.**  
How Indians Were Treated to Ammonia as War Medicine.  
What promised to be the dreariest Fourth of July in my life ended in being one of the most amusing. I was sent to the Indian country on Milk river, Montana, to deliver some annuities, and had to wait several weeks for the Indians to come in from their hunting expedition.

The Assinboine Indians came straggling into camp one by one, and hung around my camp with undisguised curiosity. I had a headache, and took a quart bottle of ammonia from my medicine chest and sniffed at the cork. I knew how to mystify the Indians, and I did a couple of side steps, rolled my eyes, jerked my body, and pointed my finger to the cardinal points before taking the dose.

The Indians were delighted at my pantomime of war medicine. I told them that whoever took that medicine could never be killed in war, but that I was afraid they would join forces with the Sioux and fight against me if I gave them that dose. I knew them to be the greatest foes of the Sioux, but of course I had to be coaxed into giving away my wonderful charm.

After much persuasion I finally agreed to do it, but bargained that it must not be taken in the presence of others. It was so powerful that no novice could take the white man's medicine with others watching him. Of course that made a hit with the Indians at once, and there were many volunteers to be number one.

I selected the chief. He walked into my tent, and I began my mysterious passes at him. In the meantime I had two quart bottles before me. One contained water and the other ammonia. I made him understand that at the end of my speech, when I clapped my hands, he was to take a deep breath and inhale the war medicine as soon as I removed the glass stopper. I don't believe a motion was lost on the Indian; they are good imitators. I gave three whoops and made my extemporaneous speech.

Then I clapped my hands, pulled the cork, and thrust the ammonia under the chief's nose. He took a long, deep breath as directed, and fell backward as one dead.

When he revived there were tears rolling down his cheeks, and I expected to have no more fun that Fourth, but here I had not reckoned on the Indian's sense of humor.

That chief went out and was as dumb as an oyster about his treatment, and so close did they keep the secret that every Indian in the camp came into that tent singly and took his war medicine without a murmur.—Gen. C. A. Woodruff.

**Team On the King's Head.**  
During the battle of Princeton re-treating British troops took refuge in the shape of the college. Washington personally directed the fire of his ar-

tillery, which was aimed at the college buildings. The first shot, it is said, entered the chapel and passed through the head of a portrait of George II. After the war Washington paid Charles Wilson Peale \$250 for a portrait of himself, which was placed in the identical frame through which the cannon ball had passed.

#### How Kind!

**Battle of the Firecrackers.**  
When on the Fourth the morning sun  
Puts on his golden crown  
An army clad in scarlet coats  
Comes marching into town.  
They're having a grand time,  
Is heard upon the air,  
And smoke is everywhere.

But when along the western sky  
The tree of sunset glows,  
That army scattered on the ground  
Is piled in rows on rows.  
No more upon the army freeze,  
The summer heat has come,  
The retreats have been routed by  
Our little boys and girls.

—Four-Track News.

#### MAKING ROMAN CANDLES.

**Indispensable Adjuncts to a Proper Fourth of July.**

In America the manufacture of fireworks has become almost a fine art, and no doubt the youth of our country could add this sort of expression for their patriotic enthusiasm on the Fourth of July without drawing on the products of foreign ingenuity. A glance at the catalogue of any one of the twelve or fifteen large firms engaged in making fireworks in this country discloses almost endless lists of devices.

Every one knows what a Roman candle is, but few know how this indispensable adjunct of a Fourth of July celebration is made. First of all in the making comes the pasteboard cylinder, which is plugged up at one end with clay. After the clay comes a small charge of powder. Then a "star" is pushed down tight on the powder, and charges of powder and stars alternate until the cylinder is filled. Then a fuse is attached which commutes with the powder near the top of the cylinder, which when it is exploded sends its star sailing upward. A fuse running through the candle connects other charges of powder with the first and explodes them one at a time, each one shooting out the star which is next above it.

The stars are made of chemical mixtures, which vary with the colors which are produced. A red star is sometimes made by mixing four parts of dry nitrate of strontia and fifteen parts of pulverized gunpowder. Copper filings change the color to green. Rosin, salt and a small quantity of amber make it yellow. Small particles of zinc change it to blue, and another and perhaps better red can be made by using a mixture of lampblack and niter.

**How They Celebrated.**

Said the helter: "Clank! Clang!"  
Said the crackpot: "Rum! Bam!"  
Said the gun: "Bing! Bang!"  
Said the tortoise: "Samp!"  
Said the sky rocket: "Whiz!"  
Said the candle: "Sh! Hic!"  
Said the bell: "Ding! Dong!"  
Said the big ones: "Whiz! Wuz!"  
Said grandma: "There, there!"  
Said father: "Boys! Boys!"  
Said mother: "Such a noise!"  
Said puss: "Graaaaaaah me!"  
Said Pover: "Bow-wow!"  
Said Sis: "Hush-hush!"  
Said Will: "Hurrah! Ow!"

#### A WARNING.



## THE DODGE CITY OF VIRTUE

#### DIVINE FORGIVENESS.

Rev. Charles A. Riley.  
"I have blotted out, as a thick cloud,  
thy transgressions, and as a cloud,  
thy sins."—Isa. 43:22.

Our best approach to this subject is by way of inquiry into the results of sin. There are two penalties attached to sin, the outward and the inward. One looks to the external consequences; the other points to the inward feelings and affections. One refers to the visible punishment, the pain and suffering that is felt; the other has to do with the guilty conscience, the closed heart of God and the separation from Him. External penalty embraces all the evil consequences that are left behind and make themselves felt in the life; internal or subjective penalty is the alienation of God's affection, a disturbance of the personal relation between God and man. God is grieved and righteously angry with sin and He withdraws His approval. Now, forgiveness is the restoration of this broken personal relation.

We are apt to fall into mistaken notions regarding the consequences of sin; and to grieve more over the punishment than over the loss of God's approval. Yet the worst penalty of sin is to be separated from God by our own sinful desires and actions. To be out of harmony with God is really the death of death. To be an agent in the reversal of the moral order of the universe is to be against God and to be separated from Him. This is a terrible status as between Creator and created. Yet it surely follows sin. "Your sins have separated between you and your God."

Children have keener eyes and truer ears than we have. What is it that makes the child's face lath and tear come to the eyes? Is it the fear of punishment or the look of trouble in the father's face? The child sees the real penalty, dredges the father's closed heart. The slave would fear the rod alone; the child dreads the unhappy relation with its father, counts a moment's chastisement small beside an indefinite period of offended, withdrawn love. The outward consequences of sin may be terrible in which no trace of the divine approval can be found. Recall also the danger, both for this life and the life to come, of alienation from God. The internal penalty is the worst.

Now, which of these penalties does forgiveness do away with? Not the external, for the sufferings in most cases remain. David was forgiven, but that did not exempt him from punishment. "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." He will reap in his memory, in his conscience, in his weakness of will, often in his worldly position, in his reputation, sometimes in his health and in many other ways. To say that God cannot remove these consequences is an arbitrary statement. Without a doubt, God sometimes removes the penal consequences of sin. But while such remission may accompany forgiveness, it is not at all an essential element therein. Forgiveness is the undisturbed communication of the love of God to sinful men. It restores the offender to his former position of acceptance and favor.

Legal pardon contains but a poor analogy to this inward experience. The civil magistrate may grant a pardon, but not forgiveness. He is not required to exercise a personal relation with an offender. The Bible in

no instance uses legal analogy in speaking of the Divine forgiveness. It cannot be the mere remission of the penal results of sin. Deeper than that we must look. What, again, is the real penalty? As we have reasoned, it is the closing of the heart. Then the real forgiveness is taking the wanderer back again to the heart.

In other words, it is a father's forgiveness. "Your heavenly Father will forgive you your trespasses." In all the passages of scripture that treat of forgiveness it is either spoken of as the Father's forgiveness, or, if these words are not used, then the fact for which "fatherhood" stands, namely, the love of God, is emphasized. Now a father closes his heart against and sternly holds an offending child aloof, waiting for an expression of sorrow. Lost without the father's love and earnestly desiring to regain it, the child expresses sorrow. Forgiveness is complete when the father says, "Come, you are my child again." But if one trace of disapproval remains or one fragment of the fault stands like the timbers of a dam to block the stream, the child is not forgiven. He is forgiven when the last thin film of mist between him and his father has faded away. And the Heavenly Father seals His pardon to use when He declares, "I have blotted out like a thick cloud thy sins." In the parable of the prodigal son we read, "And he fell on his neck and kissed him." Forgiveness is the open heart of God receiving the returning prodigal.

**SERMONETTES.**  
A Jellyfish has no collisions.  
No man is brave until he has faced ridicule.

The kingdom waits for everyday kindness and justice.

Many preachers would reform if sentenced to read their own sermons.

Many preachers mistakeounding the people for expounding the truth.

There are too many who would rather go over the falls than not seem to be in the swim.

The first thing some folks will want to do in heaven will be to elect a new set of officers.

Many a conscience that works well at the second person notch gets out of gear at the first person singular.

It seems to make some folks wonderfully comfortable to tell the Lord just what they think of one another.

The minister who speaks from a monk's experience would preach a

#### HYMNS AND THEIR AUTHORS.

FAITH AND DUTY.  
By Norman MacLeod.

One who has often heard great congregations of men sing this hymn, will be struck in by a few of the great hymns. Written by an active popular preacher, it may perhaps lack that finish and polish of a professional hymn-writer, but it makes up for any such lack with a force and vigor of its own and a message that will sing itself helplessly into the hearts of all who hear its strain. It is a good hymn to add to that altogether too small collection of suitable hymns for men which we have. —London, 1881.

Charles Williams, a Scotch divine, the author of "A Highland Parish" and other stories.

Courage, brother! do not stumble,

Though thy path be dark as night;

There's a star to guide the humble.

Trust in God, and do the right.

Though the road be long and dreary,

And the end be out of sight;

Tread it bravely, strong or weary,

Trust in God, and do the right.

Perish policy and cunning,

Perish all that fears the light,

Whether losing, whether winning,

Trust in God, and do the right.

Shall all forms of guiltiness,

Flends can look like angels bright;

Heed not custom, school, or fashion,

Trust in God, and do the right.

Some will hate thee, some will love thee,

Some will fatter, some will slight thee;

Trust in God, and do the right.

Simple rule and safest guidance,

Inward peace and shining light,

Star upon our path abiding,

Trust in God, and do the right.

good deal better from a course as a merchant.

No man will have much trouble with his faith if he reserves its problems for the time left over after living its precepts.

Some theology seems to hold that God gave man a reason and then a revelation so that one might keep up a fight with the other.

#### DON'T FOR CHURCHMEN.

Don't miss doing great good by refusing to do little kindness.

Don't fail to note that a loose tongue often indicates a tight fist.

Don't forget that character is seen in motives, but it never stays there.

Don't forget that the self-satisfied soul may come far short of satisfying God.

Don't overlook the fact that no man is old enough to be another man's conscience.

Don't expect to really love men unless you are making it possible to live with them.

Don't become a twisted sign on the Zion road by making yourself a seeming suffer saint.

Don't forget that you are not really trusting Providence when you let your muscles get flabby.

Don't fail to learn that knowledge knows nothing real or worth while.

Don't overlook the fact that no one can long be content to measure his possessions by the poverty of other people.

Don't make the mistake of thinking that the Almighty has destined you to be happy at the price of another's misery.

#### BUSY NEW YORKERS.

Rush Over Each Other in Their Hurry and Then Waste Hours.

How they do drive and rush and sweat, to be sure, falling over each other, trampling each other down in their mad struggle to get ahead in the pursuit of the round, rolling dollar, just beyond the reach of their grasping claws, writes a New York newspaper man.

How they run up the stairs of the elevated railroads! How they cannot be persuaded—any of 'em—to wait for a bus.

How they run up the stairs of the elevated railroads! How they cannot be persuaded—any of 'em—to wait for a bus.

The next convention of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks will be held in Boston in June, 1912.

Organized labor contemplates recommending a nine-hour day and a fifteen-hour week for women at the next session of the Legislature of Washington.

Thousands of iron, steel and tin workers in the United States will contribute one per cent of their earnings to aid the cause of the strikers in the sheet and tin divisions.

The number of fatal accidents to wage earners in this country for the last twelve months was between 30,000 and 35,000, according to the United States Bureau of Labor.

Late reports from the building trades department of the American Federation of Labor showed that twenty international, twenty-three state, councils and 150 local councils were affiliated.

The bill to license master electricians in New York developed such opposition on the part of the Electrical Workers Union and kindred organizations that it was killed in committee at Albany.

Further union relief paid to the Northumbrian (England) strikers brings the total amount expended by the Miners' Association since the passing of the Dear coal act to nearly \$10,000.

Garment Workers' Union of Boston, Mass., has signed an agreement with the members of the shoemakers' union will increase wages an eight-hour day, increasing wages from 10 to 30 per cent, with Saturday half-holidays the year round.

Members of the Homestead (Pa.) branch of the shoemakers' union will incorporate a company for the manufacture of miners' shoes, the product to be distributed among the members of the United Mine Workers of America.

The membership of the cigar-makers' international increased from 40,354 members in 1908 to 44,414 in 1909. The membership, all told, including all pleasure and smoking, is 47,477. Compared with eight years ago, the gain in membership has been 21,344 or nearly 50 per cent.

The Porto Rican Free Federation of Workingmen is seeking federal legislation for a number of propositions among which is one that the right of action to recover damages for injuries resulting in death is never to



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#### Passing It On.

The clerk filled out the marriage license and handed it over.

"Thank you," said the young man.

"Hold on! That's \$2."

"Two dollars!"

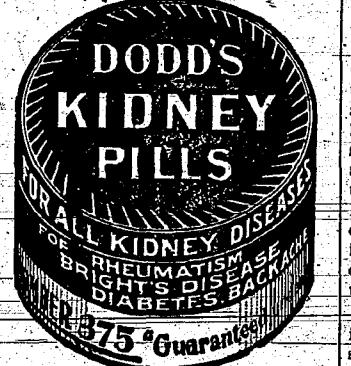
"Yes; did you suppose we gave those things away?"

"I certainly did. Chargin' a man \$2 for a sheet of paper that didn't cost the country more than a nickel, at the outside, is robbery. Have I got to pay it?"

"You'll pay it, or you'll hand back that document."

"All right," said the young man, taking a bill out of his pocket, tendering it to the clerk, and walking off for his change; "but I can tell you right now, you ain't robbin' me! You're robbin' the preacher! He'll get just \$2 less than I was going to give him!"

Pocketing the change and tilting his hat back on his head, he stalked out of the office with the air of a man who had been imposed upon, but who knew how to get even.—Chicago Tribune.



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**WESTERN CANADA**

What J. Hill, the Great Railroad Magnate, Says About Its Wheat-Producing Powers

"The greatest need of this country [Montana] is to have a railroad connection with the coast, so that we may be provided for houses for the people, and for the production of sufficient food for them. The wheat-growing districts of the West are the great wheat-exporting country, and the wheat-growing wheat country."

This great wheat-growing magnate, in his speech before the citizens of the state, expressed the opinion that the situation of the state of Western Canada is excellent.

Upwards of 125 Million Bushels of Wheat

were harvested in 1900, and the wheat crop of 1901 is estimated at 150 million bushels.

There are now 160,000 acres of land under cultivation in the state of Western Canada.

Convenient climate, favorable rainfall, cheap labor, cheap transportation, and a large market for wheat, make the state of Western Canada a great wheat-growing district.

Western Canada is the great wheat-growing district of the world.

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One of the chief blessings of every home is good cooking.

Make yourself happy by seeing the best in people and things about you.

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Squalor is the outward expression of hopeless and unrelied poverty. But it is not needed for the poor man's house to be squalid. On the contrary, with industry and care, and the bright service of a healthy wife, the tiniest cottage may at times be an abode in which the most dainty could pass a short time with pleasure. On the other hand, many houses become squalid without the excuse of miserable as it is of abject poverty. Thus, while we may fairly rank poverty as a main cause of squalor, it is not absolute absence of money which is the chief cause. Cleaning is neglected, and whatever be the building, and however it may be finished and furnished, in which constant cleaning is omitted, dust accumulates, unexplained stains make their appearance, and a progress, more or less rapid, as the case may be, set up toward decay and dilapidation.

## WOMAN IN ADVERSITY.

Women should be more trusted and confided in as wives, mothers, and sisters. They have a quick perception of right and wrong and without always knowing why, read the present and future, read characters and acts, designs and probabilities, where man sees no letter or sign. What else do we mean by the adage "mother wit," save that woman has a quicker perception and reader invention than man? How often, when man abandons the helm in despair, woman seizes it and carries the homestead through the storm! Man often flies from home and family to avoid impending poverty or ruin.

Woman seldom, if ever, forsakes home thus. Woman never evaded mere temporal calamity by suicide or desertion. The proud banker, rather than live to see his poverty-gazetted, may blow out his brains and leave wife and children to want, protectorless.

Loving woman would have counselled him to accept poverty, and live to cherish his family and relieve his fortune. Woman should be counselled and confided in. It is the beauty and glory of her nature that it instinctively grasps at and clings to the truth and right.

Reason, man's greatest faculty takes time to hesitate before he decides; but woman's instinct never hesitates in its decision, and is scarcely ever wrong where it has even chances with reason. Woman feels where man thinks, acts where he deliberates, hopes where he despairs, and triumphs where he fails.

We spend our money, as a rule, for that which we like, and we are like that for which we spend our money. It may go for fritters and materialities that profit nothing. Or it may be made representative of that which is the true bread of life.

To children, the presence of intelligent friends in the house is a means of advancement, a real step in education. A family living wholly without itself grows in inevitably narrow,

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**Detroit Industrial Exposition.**

President Taft pressed the button last Tuesday evening that set in motion the wheels of the great Detroit Industrial Exposition. After a salute by 1,000 factory whistles and bells in Wayne County, the doors of the spacious new exposition buildings were thrown open and the largest concourse of people that ever attended an indoor gathering in Michigan swarmed into the two massive halls and the beautiful river garden. Every detail was complete when the opening took place and the unbounded enthusiasm of the whole city proved that the Exposition is what its sponsors, the Board of commerce, claimed, the greatest event in Detroit's history.

When President Taft pressed the button, he illuminated 25,000 incandescent and set in motion a great variety of moving exhibits. Two hundred displays are made, the value of the exhibits being more than \$1,000,000. The exposition will continue until July 6th, and in order to accommodate the visitors from all over the country, the committee has arranged a schedule of special days. The transportation companies are offering special rates from all over Michigan and it is confidently expected that the popularity of the big show will result in the establishment of a new American record for indoor attendance.

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Niagara falls can generate fully 5,000,000 horsepower, but only 5.5 percent of it is being utilized. Of this, 12,000 horsepower is used in electro-chemical processes, 16,200 for railway service, 12,300 for transmitting many miles to power plants, and 145,000 is used by factories close to the falls.

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THE EXCITABLE MAN.

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Michigan, a topic upon which he is well informed, as he owns and conducts one of the largest dairies in Michigan.

Michigan Development Bureau.

1.—Select healthy vigorous trees.

2.—Spray spray again.

There is no danger of the trees being sprayed too often. Strain the spraying mixture and see to it that all cocks and valves are tight, so that the mixture will get onto the trees and not over the person doing the spraying.

3.—Cultivate around the trees as far out as the branches extend, thoroughly and often from now until the beginning or middle of July, so that the moisture in the soil may be conserved, by the formation and retention of a fine dust mulch around the trees all the time.

4.—Prune the tops of the trees to form an open top, in order to admit freely sunlight and the air.

5.—Make a special application at once of commercial fertilizer, say about six pounds of bone ash to each tree, in order to increase the size and improve the color of the fruit, especially of the apples.

6.—At the proper time, thin out the fruit, so that in the case of apples, they shall be at least five inches apart on the branches.

7.—

A Dreadful Wound.

All farmers and fruit growers who have not already done so should write to the Sec'y of the Agricultural College, East Lansing, Mich., for Bulletin No. 37 on "Spraying Calendar."

They are free and though a little late this year, yet better late than not at all.

Michigan Beats the West.

Ostrich growers in all parts of Western Michigan are setting aside apple trees for special care that the same may grow larger and better fruit than ever before; that this fruit may be available for exhibition purposes at the big horticultural show to be held in Chicago the latter part of November.

Word has come to Western Michigan that growers in the apple sections

of the west have announced that they are going to "back Michigan off the board" in the matter of a fruit display at the Land and Irrigation Exposition. Last fall, it will be remembered the Western Michigan fruit exhibit was one of the strongest features of the entire land show. In fact, it was the largest and best of the many displays of fruit.

While the western men do not know it, yet it is still the truth, that Western Michigan can grow fruits that are more than the equal of the fancy fruits of the much advertised apple sections of the Pacific coast states.

Western Michigan has a soil and climate that produce a better flavored fruit than is possible by the artificial methods that have been adopted where irrigation is necessary.

This year, for the first time the Western Michigan fruit growers are going to make an effort to do their best and the result will be such as to surprise us all."

Growth of Mahogany Tree.

The observations of H. N. Thompson, conservator of forests for southern Florida, indicate that the mahogany tree grows much more rapidly than the number of annual rings suggests. Mr. Thompson thinks that they show three or four well

marked zones of growth each year, corresponding to the four seasons.

Both forest trees and those grown in the botanical garden exhibit the same phenomenon. On the site of the town of Ilave, destroyed 60 years ago, a forest has grown up containing mahogany trees with trunks exceeding ten feet in girth.

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Graduation Presents.

We have them Large or Small.

Just received a fine line

Best suited for the occasion.

Rings.

Signet, set and diamonds.

Watches

for the girls and young men.

Buckles.

Cuff Links.

Fobs.

Tie Pins.

Belts.

Mesh Bags.

Chains.

Collar Pins.

Fountain pens.

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Military Sets.

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Umbrellas.

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Sterling Silver Novelties.

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High Grade Stationery.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, JUNE 23

### Local and Neighborhood News.

#### Take Notice.

The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are \$1.50 per year in ADVANCE. If your time is up, please renew promptly. X following your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondence, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

Dwelling houses and corner store building for sale—L. Fournier. 13th

FOR SALE—Oak Side board \$10.00

Lewis & Co's Drug Store. may 12

Let me quote you a price on Royal or Asbestos Roofing, put on. F. R. Deckrow.

Miss A. Blanche Ivey is on the way home from Seattle, Wash., and will spend the summer in Grayling.

Beech and Maple Block Wood for furnaces. Leave orders with

SALLING, HANSON COMPANY

Paul W. Ivey is here on a short vacation. He will spend the summer at Calumet, in the U. P.

Fine Bathroom Outfit in display window No. 400 Cedar street. F. R. Deckrow.

FOR SALE—Milk and butter, will be delivered on orders from the home of Thomas Wass. Mrs. A. Frieberg.

For repairs on automobiles and bicycles call on Oliver Ralph at Olson's automobile barn.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Woodfield took the 6-10 train Monday morning, starting on their trip to old England.

Ten acres of land containing three houses, on south side for sale cheap for cash. Enquire at this office.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is sold on a guarantee that if you are not satisfied after using two-thirds of a bottle according to directions, your money will be refunded. It is up to you to try. Sold by all dealers.

Our M. E. Pastor and family are spending a few days at the lake. The intense heat of last week makes such an outing desirable.

For plastering and other mason work and estimates of work in my line, call or address Wm. Fairbotham, Grayling, Mich. 13-14.

For samples on fine Ladies' Dress Goods call on Mrs. L. Brodin. Phone No. 613. At home from 7 a. m. till 1 p. m. June 16-37.

The Appenzell district, east of the village, enjoyed copious showers Saturday and Sunday, and the farmers are happy.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets will brace up the nerves, banish sick headache, prevent despondency and invigorate the whole system. Sold by all dealers.

Last week's Frederic correspondence received too late for paper. It should be received on Monday or Tuesday at the latest.

The lady who traded umbrellas with Mrs. Deckrow at the G. A. R. Hall is requested to trade back, so that each may have their own.

The Bell coffee are always good. If you have not tried the Bell Southern coffee at 25 cents a pound you have not tested the best coffee for the price. There is done what is possible to do to save its strength and flavor and it is packed in 1 lb. tins cans. Salling Hanson Co.

Iame shoulder is almost invariably caused by rheumatism of the muscles and yields quickly to the free application of Chamberlain's Liniment. This liniment is not only prompt and effective, but in no way disagreeable to use. Sold by all dealers.

O. P. Scheuman, of Grand Rapids, who represents the inland Type Foundry of Chicago, was a welcome guest of the editorial home over Sunday, and following his visit will come a new series of advertising and job type for the Avalanche.

If you are not satisfied after using according to directions two-thirds of a bottle of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, you can have your money back. The tablets cleanse and invigorate the stomach, improve the digestion, regulate the bowels. Give them a trial and get well. Sold by all dealers.

James Sewell, one of the pioneers of Center Plains township in this county, now residing near Cleveland, Ohio, is visiting here with his sisters, Madeline Peck, Bates and Scriven. He is greatly pleased with our growth and evident success, but he seems to have grown older in the past twenty-five years.

Wanted—100 men to pull 5000 cords of bark, road timber and road wagons. \$2.50 per cord, peal and stumps pile campers. Eickerman, D. S. & A. R. R. Peninsula Bark & Lumber Co., Saugatuck, Mich. Mich.

Last week an important meeting of the public domain commission was held in Lansing. The business for the year was closed up and plans for next year's work discussed, including the erection of certain needed buildings at the big forest reserve in Roscommon and Gladwin counties.

"It cured me," or "It saved the life of my child," are the expressions you hear every day about Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. This is true the world over where this valuable remedy has been introduced. No other medicine in use for diarrhoea or bowel complaints has received such general approval. The secret of the success of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is that it goes to the large cities at home."

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Miss Ruth Barlow was made extra happy by the arrival of her father from Chicago, Tuesday afternoon, though he could only stay through the commencement exercises, leaving on the after midnight train this morning.

The M. C. R. R. issued a new time card Sunday which shows a new train leaving Mackinaw City at 7:30 a. m. arriving here at 11:25 and leaving at 12:01 p. m. arriving at Bay City at 4:35 p. m. The old trains run as before,

"It is a girl, nine pounds, come in smoke" was the salutation of A. C. Olson to every passerby last Monday morning, and he set out the finest smokers in the case. Of course no one could refuse, and the new parents as well as "Grandpa Nels," are all showered with congratulations.

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### Closing School Items.

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years, during which time her sterling qualities of character, her quiet way of doing good deeds and her unquestioned ability as a teacher, have made a deep impress upon the people of our city.

A feature of the program for the evening was the singing of "America" by over two hundred boys and girls who have been her pupils. A beautiful brooch set with a diamond solitaire was presented to her with a few well chosen words by Rev. J. H. Fleming, as a remembrance of the regard felt for her here. Hers is an unusual distinction, that of leaving a whole city of friends.

On Friday evening of last week, the class of nineteen-tens honored the class of nineteen-tens with a banquet at opera house dining hall, at which over one hundred guests were seated.

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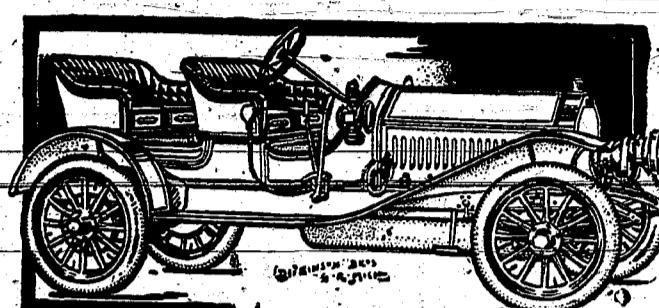
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### CHINA MENDER

The very best mender for  
CHINA AND GLASS WARE. For sale by

### Sorenson's Furniture Store

### OLSON'S Automobile Line!



### MACHINES FOR SALE OR RENT.

Call at Central Drug Store  
or Auto Barn.

M. E. Church.

Sunday, June 26, 1910.

10:30 a. m. public services. Subject:

"The Wise and Their Work."

11:45 a. m. Sunday School.

3:00 p. m. Junior League.

6:30 p. m. Epworth League. Subject:

"The Christian's Victories."

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# The Avalanche

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## SUMMARY OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS:

Sunday.

Governor Hughes of New York disapproved bills calling for State expenditure of \$4,713,747.

Joseph C. Stibley swore the congressional nomination in the State of Pennsylvania cost him \$40,698.

Adrift ten hours on a capsized yacht, two Chicago high school athletes were rescued as their craft sank.

Secretary Knox issued a statement saying he will stick in the cabinet instead of making the race for Governor of Pennsylvania.

Theodore Roosevelt held political conferences at Oyster Bay with Senator Lodge, Representative Longworth and Secretary Meyer.

Mondays.

A score of persons were killed when the fall of a water tank wrecked a building in Montreal.

Charles K. Hamilton flew from New York to Philadelphia and back, 176 miles, in 207 minutes.

British foreign minister said that Roosevelt submitted his Guildhall speech to him before delivering it.

Tuesday.

Two hundred persons were known to have been killed by German floods.

The Harvey Company filed a brief denying all charges made in a Missouri suit.

Oklahoma had two capitals, officials conducting business in both cities claiming the honor.

The conference report of the administration railroad bill was delivered to both houses of Congress.

The Associated Banks of Chicago appealed to Congress to suspend payment of the corporation tax till the Supreme Court may decide pending cases.

Wednesday.

Professor J. Lawrence Laughlin, of Chicago, in a Drake University address, called Taft a failure.

The Russian government ordered the authorities at Kiev to delay enforcing their expulsion order against the Jews.

The defense in the Broome bribery trial in Chicago made a sudden attack on White in an effort to prove that his confession was the work of a black-mail plot.

The officials of the United Wireless Telegraph Company were arrested by the government on a charge of fraud, secretly using the mails to clean up millions through the sale of stock.

Governor Gillett, of California, ordered the Attorney General to prevent the Jeffries-Johnson fight. Mayor Pat McCarthy, passing through Chicago, expressed defiance of Governor Gillett and said Jeffries-Johnson fight will be held in San Francisco.

Thursday.

Italian divers failed to find Porter Charlton's body in Lake Como.

Dr. Gustav A. Gayer, of New York, ended thirty-one day fast in good physical condition.

Twelve were killed, 250 hurt by autos in six months, in Chicago, says official police report.

The Senate passed the bill to admit New Mexico and Arizona to separate statehood and a conference agreement was foreseen.

Delegations from all over the country with the West in the forefront poured into New York to greet Theodore Roosevelt.

The regulars in Congress went down in another defeat at the hands of the insurgents on a rule curbing the power of the Speaker.

Friday.

The State closed in a sudden climax in the Browne trial in Chicago.

The Senate accepted the report of the conference on the administration railroad bill.

Roosevelt greeted America by wireless as his ship steamed steadily nearer New York harbor.

Senator Burrows called a committee meeting and assured action on the Lorimer bribery charges.

Richard Parr, New York customs deputy, is to get \$100,000 reward for exposing the sugar frauds.

James A. Patten, of Chicago, and seven others were indicted by a Federal grand jury in New York for conspiracy in cotton pool case.

Saturday.

The Senate ordered a searching investigation into the right of William Lorimer to his seat in that legislative body.

The railroad and statehood bills reached their last goal in Congress and the former was signed by President Taft.

The United States government began costly proceedings against Great Lakes Towing Company.

Theodore Roosevelt reached New York and was given the greatest welcome ever accorded a private citizen.

The House passed the bill admitting New Mexico and Arizona to statehood, concurring in the Senate amendments.

American visitors to Oberammergau Passion Play suffered great inconvenience because of poor accommodations for tourists.

**NUBBINS OF NEWS.**

A resolution was adopted by the lower branch of the Louisiana General Assembly ratifying the proposed general income tax. The Senate adopted a resolution providing that the General Assembly submit the question to popular vote in the State.

The Dominion government has now definitely reserved the entire eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains from the American line northward to the fifty-fourth parallel as a forest preserve and to protect the water supply of the vast prairie section. Its area is about 14,000 square miles.

## RAIL BILL REPORTED TO HOUSE AND SENATE

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### FEATURES OF COMPLETED BILL

Commerce Court of Five Judges to Be Appointed Under Its Provisions.

The conference report on the administration railroad bill was presented to the Senate in Washington the other day by Chairman Elkins of the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce. It was also laid before the House.

Generally speaking, the finished work of the conference is declared to be satisfactory to the Senate, although in large part it follows the lines of the House bill. A number of the amendments secured by "insurgent" Republican Senators, however, were retained by the conference.

As finally perfected by the conference, the bill carries most of the features of the original administration measure except the sections to permit railroads to make pooling agreements to authorize the government to regulate the issuance of stocks and bonds and to permit a railroad to purchase the remaining stock of another line in which it already controls 50 per cent of the stock. So much opposition developed in both houses against these provisions that all the securities section were abandoned outright.

In the place of the House provision the conference incorporated a provision authorizing the President to appoint a commission to investigate questions pertaining to the issuance of stocks and bonds by railroads. Expenditures by the commission are limited to \$25,000, and it was not given authority to summon witnesses or to compel the production of books and papers. No time was fixed for the making of a report.

The bill as perfected, therefore, and as likely to become law, would create a commerce court composed of five judges, the first of whom are to be selected by the President and thereafter by the chief justice of the Supreme Court.

Certain sections would enlarge the power of the commission over railroad regulations and practices and place under the jurisdiction of the commission telephone, telegraph and cable companies whether wire or wireless, and would broaden the scope of the word railroad so as to extend the jurisdiction of the commission over bridges, ferries and terminal facilities.

General provisions are made affecting railroads to compel them to furnish rates upon application and to authorize the commission to institute inquiries on its own motion. By provisions adopted by the House and retained by the conference the scope of the commission to make regulations was enlarged. It is also provided that the shipper may designate through routes.

### WIRELESS OFFICIALS HELD

Heads of United Company Accused of Unloading Worthless Securities.

United States post office inspectors raided the handsome Broadway offices of the United Wireless Telegraph Company in New York and caused the arrest of Christopher C. Wilson, president of the company; Samuel S. Bogart, first vice-president, and William W. Tompkins, president of the New York Selling Agency, which officers of the wireless company say was formerly their fiscal agent, but has ceased to represent them.

Chief Inspector Mayer subsequently gave out a long formal statement in which he charged that, although the company has been running at a loss, the price of its shares has been advanced by manipulation to fictitious values and that individual officers of the company have sold out their stock to the general public at a profit estimated in one instance at between five and ten millions with other instances in proportion.

Wilson was released in \$25,000 bail, and Bogart in \$10,000 bail for appearance on July 12, when a further hearing will be held before a Federal commissioner. Tompkins was arrested at his farm near Mahopac Falls, N. Y.

### FLIES UP 2,083 FEET.

Brockin Unable to Beat Own Aeroplane Mark at Indianapolis.

Against a stiff wind Walter Brockin, of Dayton, Ohio, driving a Wright biplane, attempted at the Indianapolis Speedway to lower the world's aeroplane record for altitude, which he had set the other day at 4,884 1/2 feet. Making a few wide circles, he reached the height of 1,700 feet in 7 minutes, and, continuing his upward dash, he soared 2,083 feet in 12 minutes and 45 seconds. At this height Brockin met a strong cross-current, and with a short turn began a swift descent to within 200 feet of the earth. He then alighted after maneuvering over the auto-mobile course. Earlier in the day Brockin faced with a wind wagon, a novel automobile driven by a rear screw propeller operating against the air. The race was for two and one-half miles, once around the motor track, and the aeroplane won by twenty-five yards. The time was 4:53.

### PREDICTS A HARDWOOD FAMINE.

J. H. Stimson, Indiana, Reporter at Lumbermen's Meeting.

A hardwood famine is the result of the reckless waste of lumber by lumbermen in the United States predicted in the report of J. H. Stimson of Indiana, submitted to the National Hardwood Lumber Association, in annual session in Louisville. His report suggests reforestation and exemption from taxation of holdings of standing hardwood timber as remedies.

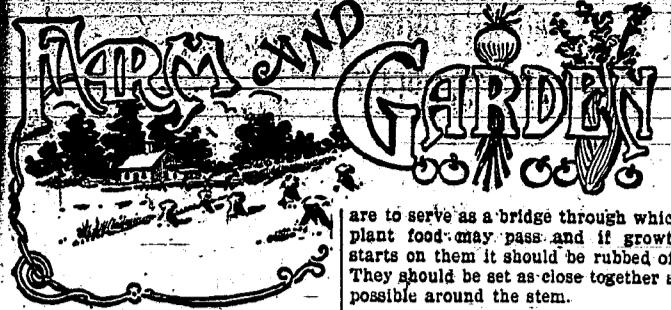
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## ROOSEVELT'S TOUR OF AFRICA AND EUROPE

Strenuous Ex-President Has Spent Fifteen Months in His Remarkable Trip.

### IN THE JUNGLE AND AT COURT.

are to serve as a bridge through which plant food may pass and if growth starts on them it should be rubbed off. They should be set as close together as possible around the stem.

The sheep barn must be dry and well ventilated. Foul odors and too much heat bring on pneumonia.

On a farm of 100 acres or over it pays much better to sell sheep than hogs instead of stock—for other people to fatten.

As to the best time to market young stock, it is, as a general proposition, when they are in a finished market condition.

Keep the heifer calves of your best cows and don't forget to keep them well, for this is the way to make them better cows than their mothers ever were.

If your fields produce about fifty bushels of corn to the acre you can figure on raising ten tons of silage when put in and about eight tons when it is taken out.

To protect the trees from mice and rabbits, screen wire, veneer, or tarred paper may be placed around the trunks. It is, indeed, a good preservative for all young fruit trees.

Clean the windows of the poultry house by washing with soapy water and drying with a cloth or paper. Clean windows let in sunlight on warm days, adding health and comfort to the flock.

The English sparrow may eat bugs and injurious insects and noxious weeds, but not to any extent when the corn shock or the granary is handy to be pilfered. It is amazing how much grain the little pests will get away with in the course of a year.

Have some lard or vaseline handy to anoint sore teats. Sore teats and tender udder often make the cow kick when otherwise she would not do so.

Milkking is not woman's work, but when it comes to attending to the milk and butter making she can beat man every time.

Scheduled among the rainy-day jobs is that of oiling the harness. Do you know how best to go about it? Clean it first thoroughly, washing in good soapy water. Then after it is dry, work through the bands and apply the oil, rubbing it well. Harness treated frequently in this way will outlast two or three pairs which are neglected.

A cow will make use of between three and four tons of silage a year. With ten cows and other stock to use as much ensilage as the cows, one could use 60 to 80 tons per year. When enough stock is kept to use to advantage 80 or more tons of ensilage per year one may be justified in investing in a silo and the necessary machinery to fill it. The larger and better the herd and the better the dairyman the more profitable ensilage becomes. One is never justified in the use of expensive feed like ensilage unless he gets to be a careful herdsman, furnishes his animals comfortable quarters, good, regular care and protection from storms and winds.

**How to Exterminate Fleas.**

The following directions are given to those who are annoyed by fleas: Insect powder used freely in the house and about the clothing is recommended by one who tried it. For all outdoor buildings use slate, slate, lime, Scattor, the lime about trey.

A surer way is first to clean all the loose rubbish out and burn, then take one quart of crude carbolic acid, four gallons of water and a spray pump and spray house and barn two or three times and you will get rid of them.

**Alfalfa Feed for Pheas.**

If your hens do not do well, try a small patch of alfalfa. An acre will yield enough for a few colonies.

It has been shown that alfalfa can be grown anywhere in the United States and by starting with a small patch of it and gradually widening the area as you get time to lime and inoculate the soil you will soon have a good-sized field of it. It is excellent feed, both for bees and poultry.

Alfalfa meal is one of the best of winter feeds for chickens. The meal is semigreen in nature, besides containing a high percentage of lime and protein. Alfalfa meal will cost about as much as wheat bran, and it has about equal feeding value to bran, besides providing green stuff for the hens in winter when grass is dead. Try some of the meal this winter and arrange to grow your own alfalfa for the hens and bear another year.

**Grafting Girdled Trees.**

It is often necessary to resort to grafting to save a tree that has been girdled by mice or rabbits. This is done by forming what is called a bridge graft. The wound should first be dressed by cutting away the ragged edges and painting the exposed surface with lead paint.

Slender scions are used and are cut thinly, wedge-shaped at both ends and from one and one-half to two inches longer than the wound is wide. Slip the knife blade between the bark and wood on one side of the wound. Start one end of the scion under the bark and push down firmly, then spring out the scion and start the other end under the bark on the other side in the same way.

The scion should now extend three-fourths to one inch under the bark on each side. The bark is tied tightly over the scions and the whole scions and all covered with wax. These scions develop in every way.

**THE FEAST THAT KERMIT PLANNED.**

The quickest and most economical method of fighting the curculio where there are only a few trees is to place a sheet under each tree early in the morning as soon as the insects appear and jar the trunk. When they fall gather and burn. This should be done twice a week for two or three weeks, when most, if not all of them, can be caught before the fruit is injured. The plum, the damson and the apricot are the fruits most injured. Slugs that attack the pear and other trees may be killed by dusting the leaves when damp with fresh air slackened lime. Apple trees should be sprayed early in the spring when buds commence to form, after the blossoms fall, when fruit is one-third grown and when half grown. The bordeaux and earl's green solution is the best remedy. These solutions may be had already prepared at the agricultural stores.

**Growing Pigs.**

I have found by experience that there is more profit in hog raising than any other industry on the farm. All farmed keep enough pigs and other young animals on the farm to consume the home-grown crops. Instead of feeding their crops to young animals at a profit, they put them on the market and the stock dealers buy them and make the profit. But the farmer can overstock with pigs. It is a fact that it is better to tend a small piece of ground and tend it well than to plant large fields and only half cultivate them. This principle can also be applied to pig raising. It is better to feed ten pigs and feed them well than it is to feed twenty and only half feed them. The pig that makes profitable gains is the one that has all the feed that it can consume and grows vigorously, without stunt or check from start to finish. The pigs should never be allowed to sleep in straw or dust in the summer, as this is liable to cause thumps and cough. Thumps can be cured, or better yet avoided, by giving the pig plenty of exercise. Care should be taken to keep the pig free from lice. When lice are discovered they should be washed with some efficient killer.—Michigan Farmer.

**Milk and Butter Fat.**

In answer to an inquiry, the Philadelphia Record says:

"A pound of butter fat will make more than a pound of butter. Butter contains water, salt, a small amount of curd and infinitesimal quantities of one or two other substances. The proportions of these vary, which makes it impossible to lay down a rule showing the amount of butter fat needed to make a pound of butter.

"It would be easy to work out the butter yield from the milk test, if there was nothing but butter fat in butter. We could say that in 100 pounds of 4 per cent milk we would have 4 pounds of butter; or, 25 pounds of milk to make a pound of butter, but less than this is needed at this test.

"In the following table, taken from an English authority, we see (approximately) the amount of milk at any test from 2 to 7 per cent, required to make a pound of commercial butter:

This milk requires  
the following:  
Test. 1 lb. butter. Test. 1 lb. butter.  
2.0.....47 3/4.....10 1/4  
2.5.....43.....10 1/2  
3.0.....39.....10 3/4  
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## On the Installment Plan

By Lawrence Alfred Clay

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"My dear, there's one thing you must look out for," said the mother of the girl who had been Rosalie Lee the day before; "but it was now Mrs. James Carter. "You and James are very young. You are both inclined to be extravagant. He gets a small salary; but you won't marry, and now you must live on it and not go in debt. Don't get a thing that you can't pay cash for on the spot."

"No, mamma," was the dutiful reply, but the words were accompanied by a smile of superior wisdom.

Why not? Hadn't she and James figured it over and over what his weekly salary of \$16 would do? That was the figure at present as bookkeeper for a grocer, but it might be \$18 or \$20 when the grocer heard of the marriage. It had been figured that the rent of a little flat would be \$5 a week; 20 cents; sugar, 8 cents; meat, \$1.00; bread, 35 cents; potatoes, 25 cents; extras, \$1. Add James's lunches at 20 cents each, and the total would be \$9.18 to a penny. That left almost seven big dollars extra for clothing, the theater and so forth.

Mrs. Carter was a good mother, but she needn't worry. Any time she wanted to borrow a \$20 bill she knew where she could get it.

James had \$200 saved up, but when a month's rent at \$35 a month, instead of \$24, had been paid, the balance didn't make a great show in furnishing. The grocer was duly informed of the marriage, but there was no raise of salary. He simply uttered a "humph." At the end of a month of housekeeping the newly-weds were beginning financially. They could, and did, figure how it came about, but the next month there was a leak in another direction. At the end of the third month they had used up all the salary and were \$5 in debt. The before and after marriage figures failed to agree.

The mother was away on a visit, but one morning two events happened in the life of the bride. A letter from her mother inclosed a check for \$100, and the housekeeper picked up the



"PREPARED FOR JIMMY."

morning paper to have her eye caught by the advertisement headed: "Why Pay Rent?" A contractor had erected several houses which he was anxious to dispose of for a cent, or two down and the balance the same as cheap rent. In a year or two, paying the very lowest rent in America, the purchaser of one of these houses would have a clear title to it. It was better than a gold mine. Your money was working for you every day in the week.

Before the bride had read that advertisement through, she had determined to show it to James that evening. When she had finished it her mind was made up to give him a glad surprise. The breakfast things had scarcely been cleared away when she donned her hat and set out. She found the street and the houses and the philanthropist. The houses had been painted with only one coat, but that was to give purchasers a chance to put on the last coat to suit their tastes. The houses about covered the lots, but that was an advantage. If bogs got in there was no place for them to root. Every objection raised was met and turned to the advantage of the buyer. In fact it was a case of philanthropy all through.

Mrs. Carter expected up to a certain point to get the house she had decided on for five cents down and five dollars a month as rent. That certain point was when she was told that she must pay \$50 down and \$25 per month. The selling price was \$4,500, and as she stood with her mouth open the contractor remarked that the \$25 per month would pay for the house almost before she could get settled. He had given 50 different persons the same chance, and in a very few minutes—or days—they were house owners and tax payers.

The house was bought. There would be papers for herself and husband to sign after two or three days, but she had to leave her \$50 then and there. That was to prevent the contractor from selling the house to some one willing to pay \$10,000 for it.

The bride-wife was back at her flat

before high noon with a house of her own, but there was something to follow. She must get furniture for it.

She knew where they sold on the installment plan, and the afternoon was spent in buying. She tried to be conservative, but the bill figured up \$40, and she paid in \$50 on it. Then she rented a piano by the month, and went home all impatience to tell James about it.

James came in at the usual hour. He was allowed to begin his dinner, and then the wife said:

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"It would mean ten cents a day street car fare, whereas I now save it," was the reply.

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"Fifty cents a fill, dearie, and that's too much for our purse."

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## Their Step-Sister's Surprise

By Cora A. Donaldson

Ruth sat alone on the veranda, stranded by the merry withdrawing tide of young folk who were going out at the gate with cushions, shawls and cars. There were six of them—each of her tall, gorgeously colored young step-sisters had her beau. They were bound for the river where boats were waiting. Ruth, with a long sigh, could think of nothing nicer than to be able to spend an hour on the river in the light of the rising moon, accompanied by somebody who was sufficiently happy just in the privilege of making love to her.

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It came to Ruth suddenly that she had never had time to be young at all. First she had worked so hard in order

to become self-supporting; then she had had to take charge of the house hold. For eight years she had played the part of a self-denying house mother. She had been to no parties, had no smart frocks. As for beauty, she had had no time at first and laterly the girls had won all the attention.

Louise was already engaged

and Ruth had been left alone.

John Eliot was a clergyman who

was identified with the early history

of Boston. He was born in 1604 and died in 1650. His birthplace was

Nazing, Essex, England. He was educated at Jesus College, Cambridge, and took orders in the Church of

England.

Hark! The man next door was

playing and singing: She knew what he was singing. It was "The Monotone." What a strange man he was—or, at least, Helen said he was strange, and she knew him better than any of them, unless, indeed, it was her father. Ever since he had come with his old sister, to live in the beautiful house next door to her, had been kind to them, sharing his fruit and flowers with them and lending the girls books and music. They were always going to his house on some occasion or other, and they were always welcome. Ruth had gone once decorously to call, as befitting her position as nominal head of her father's household. She had

been a little awed by what she had seen. It must be so nice to have rug

that had no worn places and chairs

whose interior mechanism of springs

was successfully concealed by abundant stuffing. Mrs. Fleet had been very sweet to her, but Ruth had felt somehow that she preferred the society of the girls. And so she had not gone again.